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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
DEPARTMENT OF TEXTILES, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Imphal, the 24th March, 2023

Subject :- Policy for use of Handloom and Handicrafts products in Government Offices & Establishments Schools, Colleges, Universities, Hotels in Manipur

HL-1010/22/2022-TCI-T,C&I: Handloom sector is one of the key livelihood sector in Manipur employing about 80,000 weavers and related workers. The intention of Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan is to make the country 'self-reliant' and enable each State to develop to its full potential. MSMEs and cottage industries have an important role in this 'Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan'. Further, General Financial Rules(GFR) notified by Ministry of Finance stipulate that of all items of textiles required by central government departments, it shall be mandatory to make procurement of at least 20 per cent, from amongst items of handloom origin.

2. Since handloom sector is the main textile sector in Manipur, it is desired to promote the handloom sector for the welfare of the weavers and also to showcase the rich cultural diversity of the State. The State Government has henceforth, decided that:

I. All State Government Department and Establishment including Public Sector Undertakings, Commission, etc. shall use locally manufactured handloom and handicrafts products (e.g. curtains for windows & doors, table covers, cushions, etc.)

II. All Schools, Colleges and Universities operating under the State Government shall use handloom and locally manufactured products as uniforms wheresoever the products are applicable and usable.

III. All the Government Hospitals of State shall use Handloom and Handicrafts products wheresoever the products are applicable and usable.

IV. All private Hospitals and Hotels operating in Manipur shall be encouraged to use local Handloom and Handicraft products where so ever the products are applicable and usable.

VI. Procurement procedures framed under Delegation of financial Power Rules shall be relaxed, particularly tender provision in case the Handloom and Handicrafts products are procured from Manipur Handloom & Handicrafts Development Corporation.

VII. The Policy shall be applicable only on procurement of local handloom and handicraft products.

IX. Nodal & Implementing Agency: Directorate of Handlooms & Textiles, Manipur under Textiles, Commerce & Industry Department, Government of Manipur shall be the Nodal Agency (NA). The Manipur Handloom & Handicrafts Development Corporation will be the Implementing Agency (IA).

X. Monitoring Committee: In order to monitor the implementation of the policy, a Monitoring Committee shall be constituted with the Director of Handlooms & Textiles, Manipur as the Chairman with member from Implementing Agency(IA).

XI. State Level Committee: A State Level Committee headed by the Administrative Secretary of the Department of Textile, Commerce & Industry, Govt. of Manipur shall be constituted with representatives from Finance, Administrative Secretary of requisitioning Department, Managing Director of Implementing Agency as members to ensure proper implementation, review and suggestion on the implementation of policy.

3. The Office Memorandum has been issued with the approval of State Cabinet in its meeting held on 20.09.2022 and 14.02.2023, and vetted by Finance Department.

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Commissioner (Textiles, Com & Ind),
Government of Manipur.